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DEPART PASS SECDEL FROM AMBASSADOR

E.O. 11652 XGDS-1

TAGS/ MASS PFOR JO US

SUBJECT: HAWKS FOR JORDAN

REF: (A) SECTO 8077

B. SECDEF 9720

C. MAP AMMAN 1511

1. DISCUSSED REFTEL (A) WITH RIFAI AUSUT 2.

2. ON REDEYE, GOJ HAS SIGNED LETTER OF OFFER AND IS PREPARED TO PAY FOR REDEYE FROM ITS OWN FUNDS AS PREVIOUSLY PLANNED. DATT WILL WORK WITH CHIEF OF STAFF BIN SHAKER ON PAYMENT AND DELIVERY SCHEDULES. RIFAI SEEMED TO THINK AIR DELIVERY IN LATE AUGUST WAS AGREEABLE TO GOJ, SUBJECT TO FURTHER DISCUSSION WITH BIN SHAKER

3. ON VULCAN. RIFAI HERE ALSO WANTS TO MOVE FAST THEY WANT LETTER OF OFFER ASAP AND WILL TAKE IT TO SAUDIS AND SIGN AS SOON AS FUNDING IS ASSURED. CHANGES ADDRESSED IN REF C SHOULD BE INCORPORATED ON LOA. THEY WANT DELIVERY BY AIR AND TO TAKE PLACE AS CLOSE TO ORIGINAL SCHEDULE AS POSSIBLE (SECDEF 1608 19 MAY 75)

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4. IN GENERAL DISCUSSION WHICH PRECEDED OUR

TALKS OF NUTS AND BOLTS OF DELIVERIES RIFAI MADE POINT  
THAT US IS ALREADY BEGINNING TO SUFFER A CREDIBILITY  
PROBLEM AMONG JORDANIANS AND OTHER ARABS IN  
MIDDLE EAST WHO HAVE WATCHED SALE EVENTS CLOSELY OVER  
LAST FEW WEEKS. I TOLD RIFAI WE WERE VERY MUCH AWARE  
OF THIS POINT AND HAD LEFT CONGRESS IN NO DOUBT ABOUT  
IT OR FACT THAT CONGRESS WAS ASSUMING HEAVY  
RESPONSIBILITY OF ITS OWN IN ACTIONS IT WAS TAKING.  
RIFAI SAID PRINCIPAL DAMAGE WAS BEING DONE BY DEGREE  
TO WHICH IT NOW APPEARS TO OUR ARAB FRIENDS THAT  
ISRAEL WAS ON CONTROL OF THE CONGRESS AND HENCE  
CERTAIN CRUCIAL ASPECTS OF OUR FOREIGN POLICY.

5. SUGGEST DEPT PASS SECDEF ISA AND DSAA.  
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